

Dear Student and Families,

Re: PROFESSIONAL DIVISION TUITION POLICY FOR COVID-19

Alberta Ballet School has developed a responsible plan for future COVID-19 waves that could close our studios again. Many of you have reached out with questions about the upcoming training year, and we would like to update you about our contingency plans for 2020/21.

<u>We are planning to return to our studios in September</u> but have prepared flexible options, understanding that studio training may be interrupted again due to COVID- 19 concerns.

In the past several months, Alberta Ballet School has created a robust Virtual Training Program. This program is based on Alberta Ballet School's unique curriculum and will be a key resource for your child if we face another period of closure.

This program is a series of pre-recorded modules accompanied by a schedule of live-streamed classes. Together, these elements will help your child continue to pursue their passion for dance, even through these uncertain times. We are confident that the Virtual Training Program will serve our students well.

Visit the link for in-depth information about Alberta Ballet School's Virtual Training Program

The Academic Faculty have also created and refined a process to deliver academic programming to students locally, and internationally. Students will be able to receive the course content, assignments and instructor support allowing them to maintain their education and achieve the academic credits needed to graduate should we need to offer programming outside the physical classroom again.

We appreciate there are several unknowns at this time, and every situation is unique. Below we have provided an outline of how Alberta Ballet School can support your student's training should further, or new, COVID-19 restrictions be placed on Alberta Ballet School or your student's city or country of residence. Please read the following information carefully, and contact our Admission Department at registration@albertaballet.com with any questions about your specific situation.

Scenario One: A confirmed case of COVID-19 at Alberta Ballet School

- Alberta Ballet School is required by the Province of Alberta to close for 72 hours to allow contact tracing.
- The school will be vacant for 24 hours to be professionally cleaned and disinfected to Alberta Health's standard.
- All families will be advised via email that a student or staff member may be affected.
- School will re-open and classes will resume upon approval of Alberta Health.
- Alberta Ballet School will follow the guidelines of Alberta Health regarding all individuals involved and the re-opening of the school.
- Professional Division student withdrawal or refunds will not be issued upon a probable or confirmed case of COVID-19 involving a student or staff member.

<u>Scenario Two:</u> Programming commences in September; however Alberta Ballet School is required to suspend in-school programming at any time by <u>government</u> mandated closure.

The refund/withdrawal policy will go into effect:

1 to 29-day closure due to government mandated quarantine:

- Regular tuition payments continue, and academic and artistic programming is provided online.
- Residence students remain in the Residence Program. All fees continue.

30 to 59-day closure due to government mandated quarantine:

- Academic and artistic programming is provided online with reduced tuition totaling 70% of tuition fees.
- Students participating in the Residence Program can choose to stay* or return home. Students returning home will be responsible for fees incurred up to the day of departure.

60 + day closure due to government mandated guarantine:

Option 1

- Students/Families can choose to withdraw from the Professional Division 2020-2021 Program. Students will be responsible for fees incurred up to the day of departure.
- Students participating in the Residence Program can choose to stay* or return home. Students returning home will be responsible for fees incurred up to the day of departure.
- Online academic and artistic programming would no longer be provided.
- Academic credits would not be completed.

* The option to remain in the Residence Program is determined by government restrictions or regulations not by Alberta Ballet School. If it is determined by the government that we need to close the Residence Program, students will be required to return home. Students will be responsible for fees incurred up to the day of departure.

Option 2

- Students/Families continue with online academic and artistic programming with tuition reduced by 30%.
- Student participating in the Residence Program can choose to stay* or return home. Students returning home will be responsible for fees incurred up to the day of departure.
- Academic and dance credits continue to be earned towards receiving Alberta High School Graduation/Diploma
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<u>Scenario Three:</u> Students are not able to arrive in Calgary, Canada for September due to travel restrictions or the School is unable to open in September due to Government Regulations.

Option 1

- Students can defer* their start date. Payments on tuition and residence program commence once the student has arrived and begun on-site programming.
- Student will not have access to Alberta Ballet School's academic or artistic online training.
- * Latest date to defer entry into the 2020/2021 school year is February 1, 2021. Arrival after February 1st does not allow the time needed in class to achieve the academic credits required for advancement.

Option 2

- Students enroll for academic and artistic online training at the start of the school year at a tuition rate of 70% with full intention of attending the school when permitted.
- Full tuition / Residence Program payments will commence once the student has arrived and begun on-site programming.
- Academic and dance credits continue to be earned towards receiving Alberta High School Graduation/Diploma

Additional Residence Program Information:

Alberta Ballet School will work closely with the families of our Residence Program students surrounding the restrictions and limitations to international travel due to COVID-19. The health and safety of our students is of the utmost importance and we can assure our families that all student's personal situations are considered during this time (i.e: border closures, etc.)

I acknowledge having read and understood this entire Agreement, and that I indicate my acceptance and agreement to its terms by initialling online within the registration process for myself/the Participant.